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SUBJ: JDL HARRASSMENT OF CHRISTIANS IN JERUSALEM

1. DR. ROBERT LINDSAY, BAPTIST MINISTER AND HEBREW SCHOLAR, RESIDENT OF ISRAEL AND PALESTINE NUOR SOME 30 YEARS, CALLED CHARGE FEB 26 TO DISCUSS ALLEGED JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE (JDL) HARRASSMENT OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONARIES IN JERUSALEM. LINDSAY NOTED A NUMBER OF INCIDENTS HAVE RECENTLY OCCURRED BUT INDICATED HE KNEW NONE DIRECTLY INVOLVING ANY AMERICAN CITIZEN. SINCE INCIDENTS LARGELY ATTRIBUTED TO JDL UNDER LEADERSHIP RABBI KAHANE, LINDSAY WONDERED WHETHER KAHANE STILL AMERICAN CITIZEN AND WHETHER EMBASSY COULD DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT.

2. CHARGE TOLD LINDSAY QUESTION OF WHETHER KAHANE AMERICAN CITIZEN IS ONE THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE ADJUDICATED IN EVENT HE ATTEMPTS ENTER UNITED STATES OR APPLIES FOR DOCUMENTATION. IN MEANTIME, EMBASSY NOT RPT NOT IN POSITION TO MAKE ANY STATEMENT REGARDING HIS CITIZENSHIP. QUESTION IF WHETHER HE IS IN VIOLATION OF ANY ISRAELI LAWS IS ONE FOR ISRAELI AUTHORITIES.

3. LINDSAY SAID HE WAS CERTAIN FORMIN WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BACKING FOR ACTION AGAINST JDL SINCE THEY WERE CONCERNED ABOUT ITS ACTIVITIES. ON OTHER HAND, HE FELT CERTAIN AUTHORITIES PAR-

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TICULARLY MINISTRY OF RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS, HAD CONTRIBUTED TO IT-
CHRISTIAN INCIDENTS BY CALLING FOR ACTION AGAINST "MISSIONARIES."
LINDSAY SAID HE AND A GROUP OF COLLEAGUES WILL BE SEEING MINISTER
WAHRHAFTIG SHORTLY IN THIS REGARD.

4. CHARGE TOLD LINDSAY THAT IF ANY AMERICAN CITIZENS RECEIVED
THREATS OR SUFFERED VIOLENCE, THEY SHOULD GET IN TOUCH WITH EMBASSY
IMMEDIATELY AND EMBASSY WOULD SUPPORT REQUESTS TO AUTHORITIES
FOR PROPER POLICE PROTECTION. AGREED WITH LINDSAY'S VIEW THAT THIS
WOULD BE HELPFUL TO ISRAELI AUTHORITIES.

5. IN PASSING LINDSAY SAID HE HAD BEEN INFORMED THAT KAHANE HAD
DEPARTED ISRAEL FOR GENEVA, ALLEGEDLY IN CONNECTION WITH SOME
AF ACTIVITIES VIS-A-VIS WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES. HE HAS TELEPHONED
WORLD COUNCIL TO BE ON WATCH FOR KAHANE.

6. LEGAT IS CHECKING INFO THAT KAHANE HAS LEFT ISRAEL. SUGGEST
DEPT ALERT FBI AND IMMIGRATION AT U.S. PORTS OF ENTRY.

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